# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RURAL DEVELOPMENT
# LOK SABHA

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Job Card Holders
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**Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:**

(a) the number of rural families in the country as on 31st March, 2015 and the total mandays generated and number of households provided with 100 mandays under Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(b) the number of total registered job card holders under (MGNREGS);

(c) the number of job card holders migrated from their region to another region for want of unskilled job, State/UT-wise and the reasons therefor;

(d) whether unemployment allowance has been given to persons not provided employment for 100 days on demand; and

(e) if so, the details thereof indicating the number of persons provided unemployment allowance, State/UT-wise and if not, the reasons therefor?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT
(SHRI SUDARSHAN BHAGAT)

(a): As per the SECC data, there are 17.91 crore households in the rural areas. Since 2012-13, 670 crore persondays have been generated under the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA). 1.25 crore households have availed the 100 days' work entitlement since 2012-13. Year-wise details are given in Annexure.

(b): 12.69 crore job cards have been issued under the programme so far. The State/UT-wise details of job cards issued to MGNREGA workers since inception is given in Annexure.

(c): Ministry of Rural Development does not keep a record of such information.

(d): As per Section 7 of the MGNREGA, unemployment allowance becomes payable if work is not provided within 15 days from the date of the application or the date from which work has been sought whichever is later. It is not linked with provision of 100 days work.

(e): As per the database, there has been delay in provision of work in 1.86 crore persondays for which unemployment allowance of Rs. 159.55 crore becomes payable after due verification by the Block level officers. However, no State has paid the unemployment allowance so far.

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